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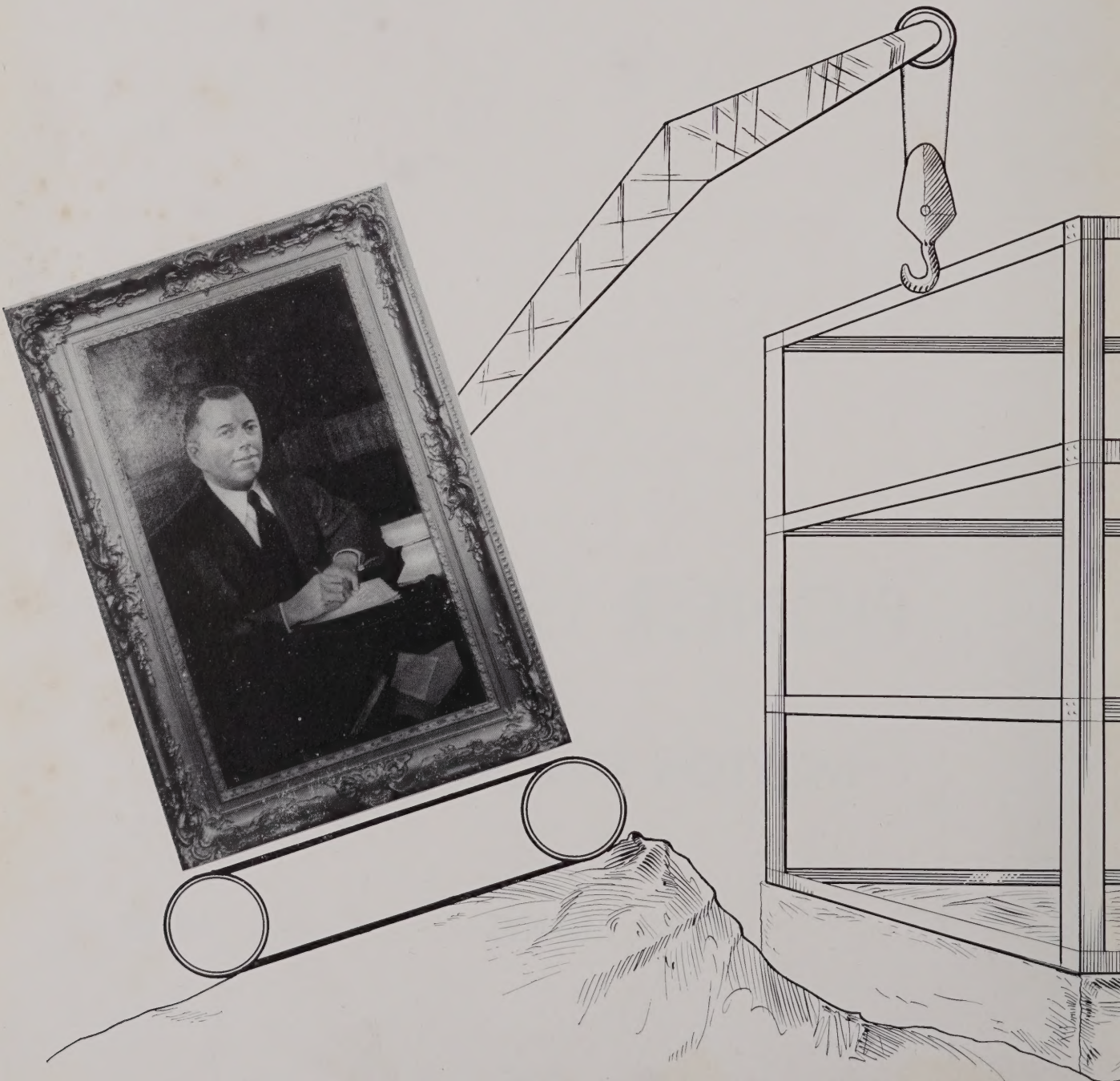
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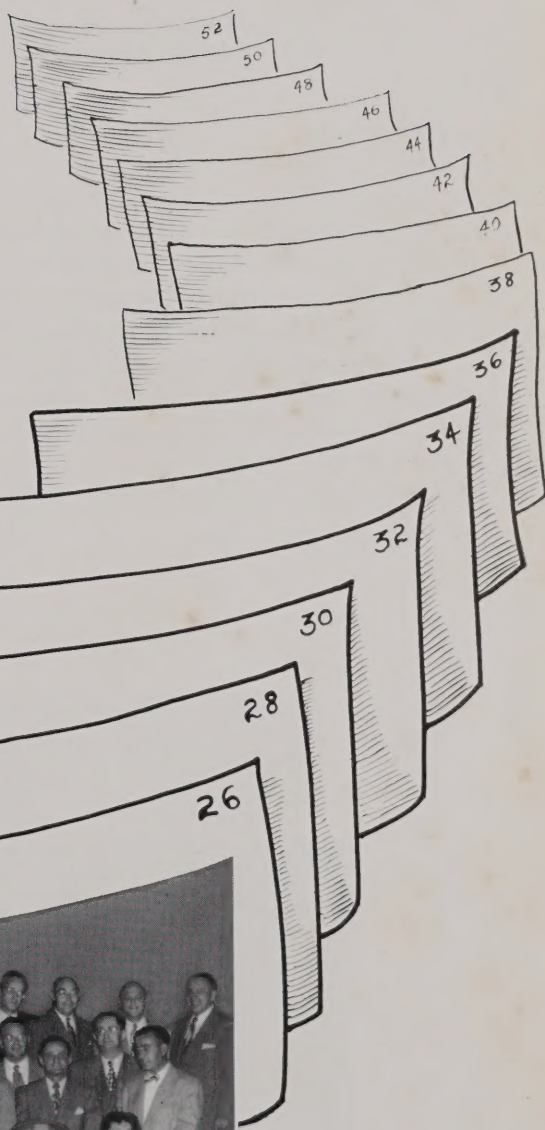
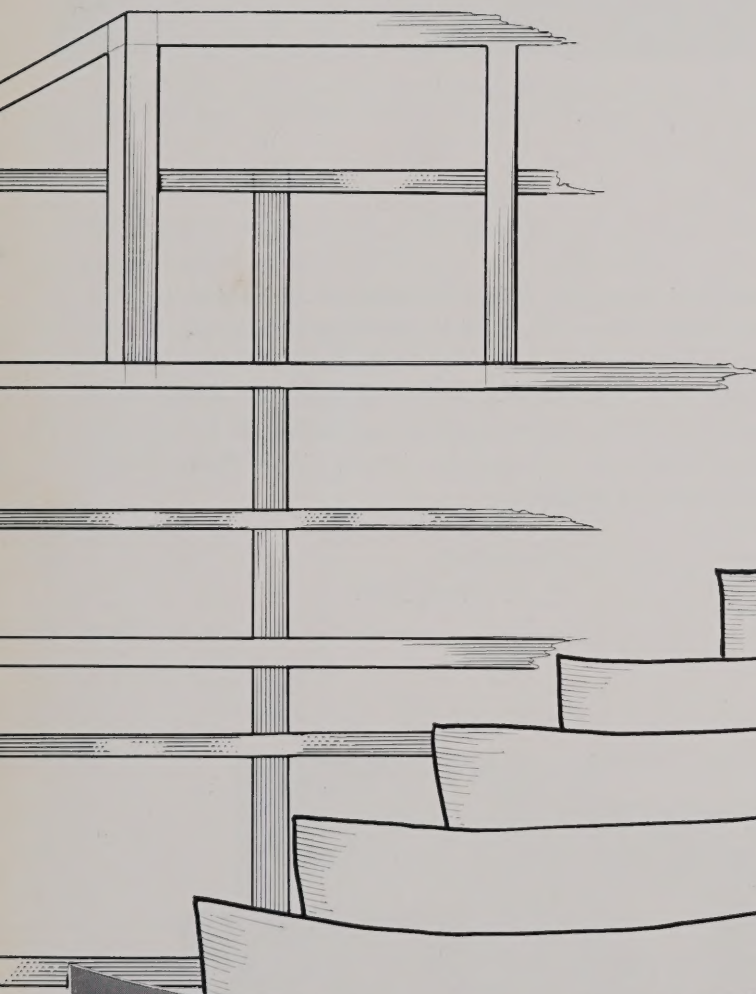
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Building



Tradition





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L. to R. 'round the table: Edward W. Chodl, Joseph Mrizek, President MacLean, George Prosch, Charles Matt, Otto Pechc.

Tradition is built by ordinary people in their everyday living. Leadership can inspire, but followers with vision build tradition. Morton has a fine tradition because for twenty-six years Morton people generally have had fine ideals for their college. They have been jealous of its reputation. Each day they have worked hard to be worthy of the college and to make the college worthy of them, and so tradition has been built by the work, the hope, and the prayers of thousands. This tradition is now bigger than the thing it started with, more dynamic than the builders.

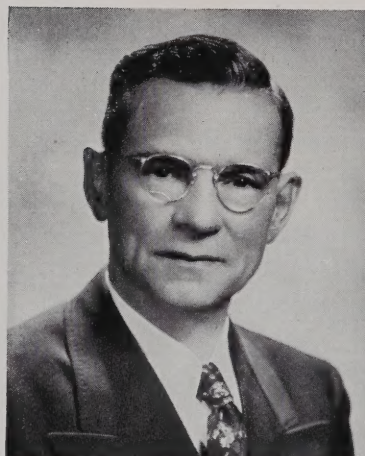
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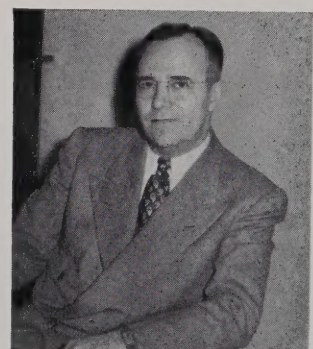


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Probably studying enrollment figures are Miss Walker and Doc Hale. Where is everybody?



Doc Hale gives his over-the-shoulder advice to Irene Kral's posing problem.

Traditions at Morton? Yes, we have many of historic origin, traditions of class and club, of work and fun. But in the highest sense, to say that Morton has traditions means that we have an already established line of march toward a chosen high goal. The newcomer joins the column, falls into step with the others, marches confidently on.

J. GRACE WALKER

We follow tradition in any endeavor because tradition exemplifies the experiences of many generations who have learned through trial and error the best way to proceed. But sometimes traditional customs are retained when they are no longer useful to society; for example, the buttons on men's coat sleeves are no longer needed to fasten on lace cuffs. So when we are quite sure that we have found, not just a different way, but one better than the traditional way, we should follow it and help establish a new tradition.

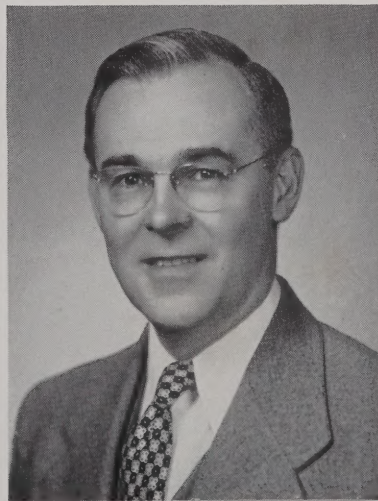
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DEAN OF WOMEN



J. Grace Walker

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College Secretary
Miss Bowes

We are workers building a tradition of high ideals. Directed by foremen highly skilled and wisdom filled. Foremen whose understanding of their workers provides that concrete element so vital for their success. From them we, as apprentices, learn to use the same tools by which they constructed their edifices. Intellectual tools needed to design the plans for erecting a sound stairway on which we can step up into this complex world . . . prepared, able, secure: solid steps on which we can climb to the highest story in life . . . happiness and contentment in what we are doing. We are inspired by our foremen; many of whom have become, and are now . . . traditions themselves.

Mr. E. Miller

Miss Bell

Mr. A. T. Almer

Mr. H. Warren

Mr. H. White





C L A S S E S



We enter our workshops . . . our classes,
To strive as those before us
With traditional fervor: We strive
To polish our tools of intellect to precision,
To sharpen our minds on a grinding stone
Of turning pages . . . Sparks fly out
At times when the surface is rough . . .

But as sparks twinkle out
So does the surface become smooth.
Thus, frowns appear when Browning's
Riddled rhymes stymie us, smiles when we
Solve his many Sphinxes . . . More frowns
When our balance sheets are jumbled; but
Smiles again when credits meet the debits.

SOPHOMORES



1st. semester officers sitting,
L. to R.; Mildred Frantik,
Vice-Pres. Betty Sesko, Treas.
Charlotte Pechman, Sec'y.
Toni Smira, President.

2nd. semester officers sitting,
L. to R., Ken Moeller, Vice-
Pres. Joan Zobel, Secy. Mike
Mlsna, President, Mildred
Frantik, Treas.

They near precision . . . after two years of effort the sophomores are about to leave their M.J.C. workshops behind . . . but they take with them everlasting memories of traditional events . . . of STARMIST, the year's best couples dance, of the beautifully decorated Christmas tree on the campus, of those successful hard-times parties, of that always wonderful prom, and

finally of Classnite . . . their last affair together as MORTONITES.

They leave, perhaps to other campuses much larger than ours . . . Leave to build higher those ideals that were developed here at M.J.C. But, they carry with them a sound foundation upon which can be built the careers of their choice.



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BALOUN

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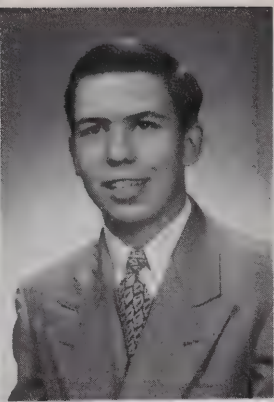
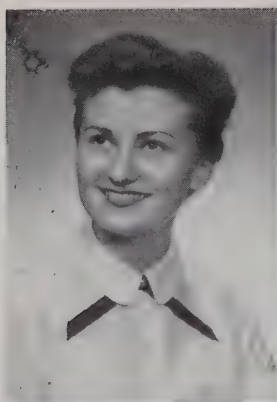
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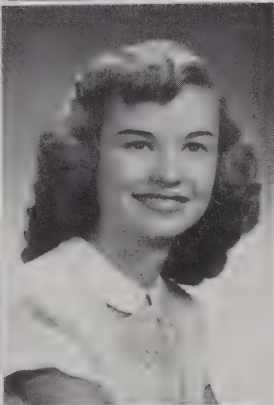
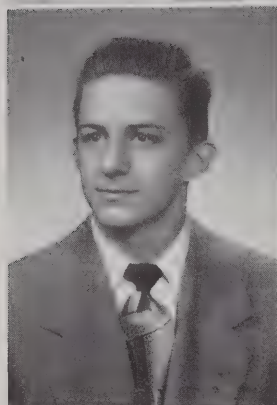
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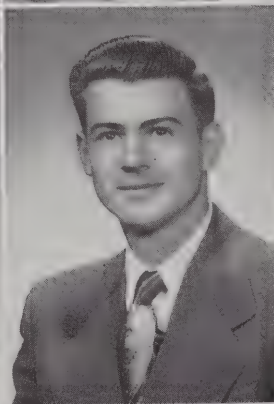
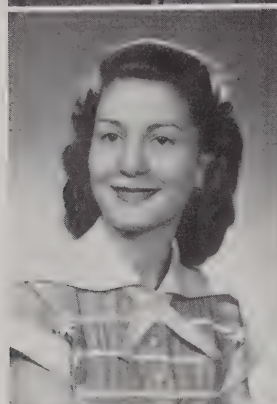
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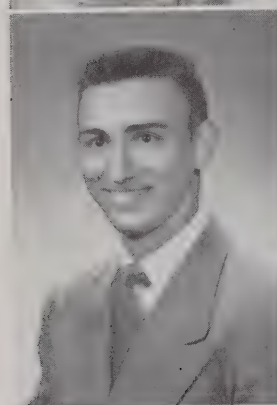
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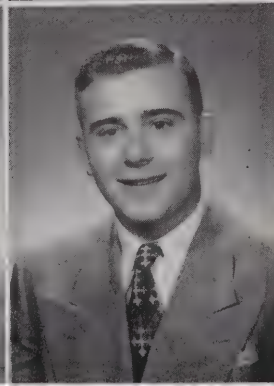
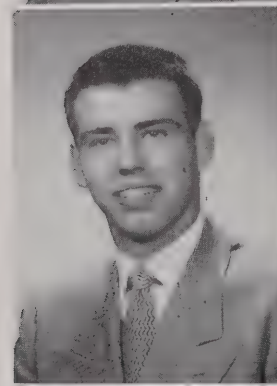
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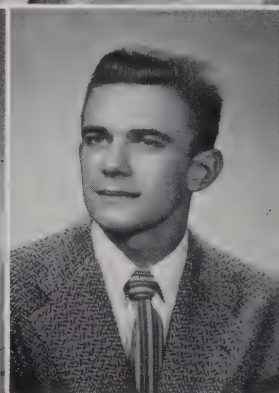
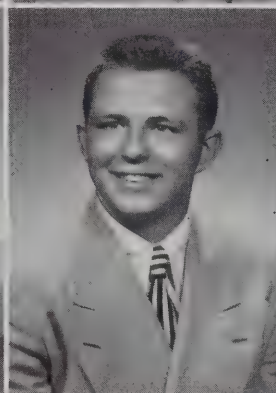
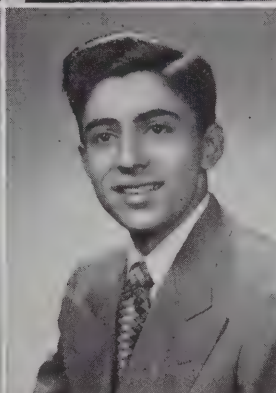
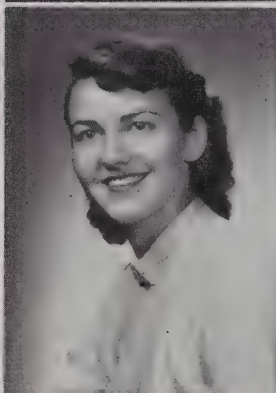
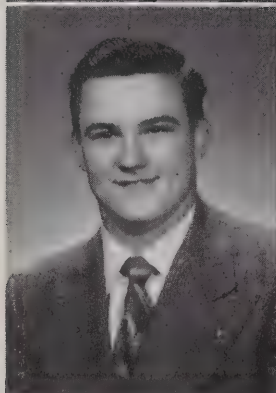
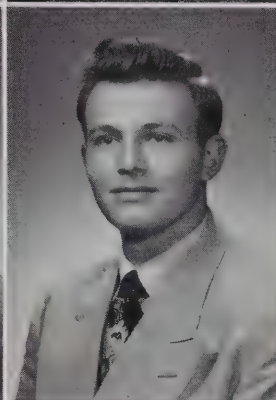
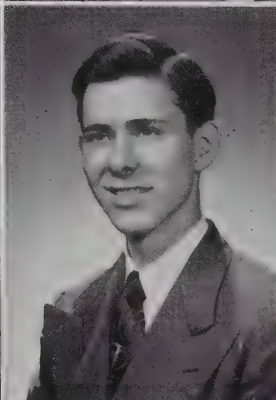
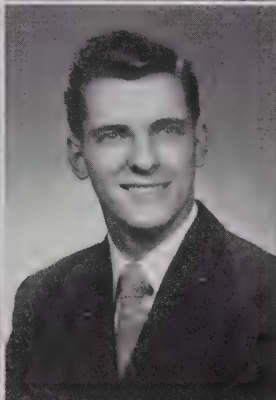
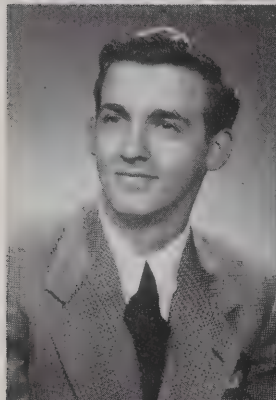
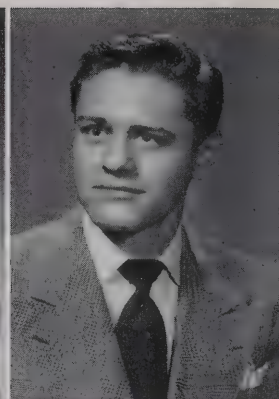
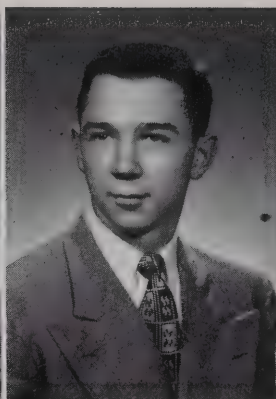
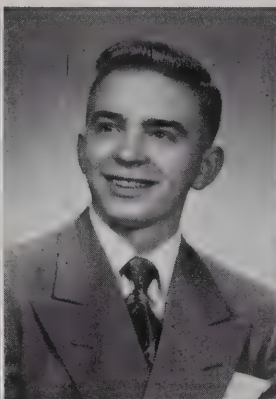
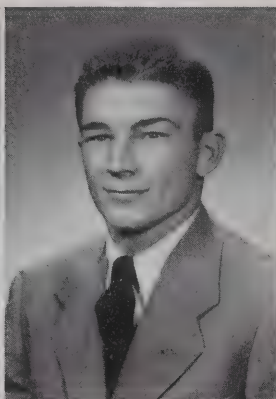
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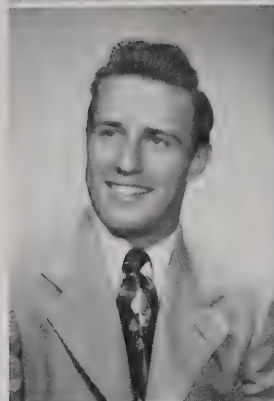
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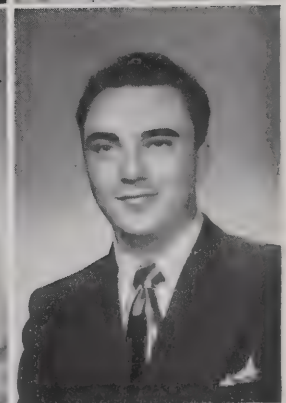
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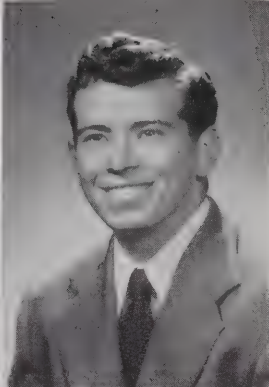
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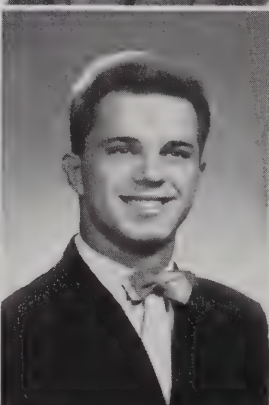
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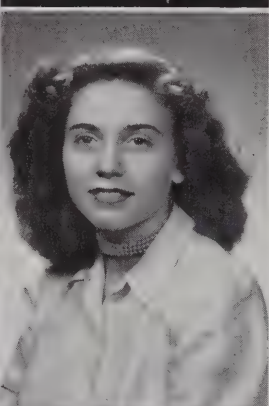
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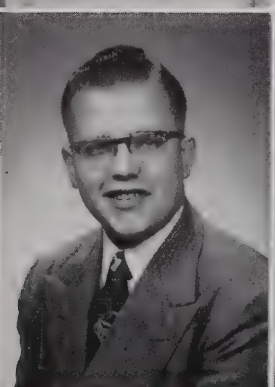
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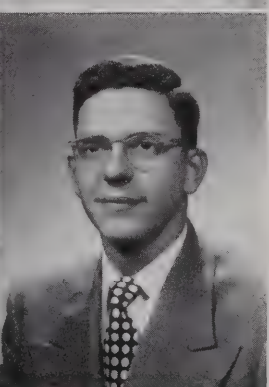
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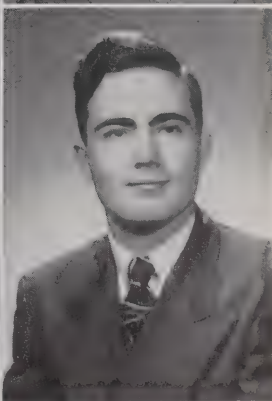
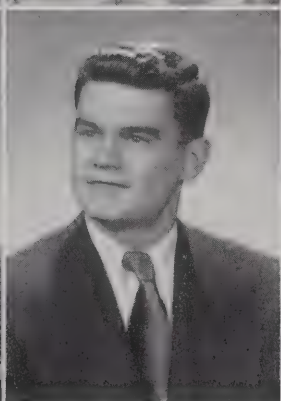
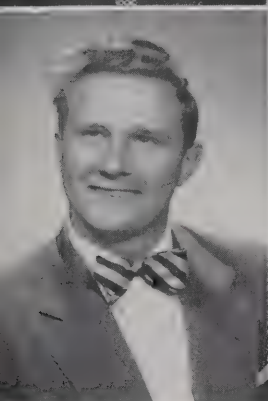
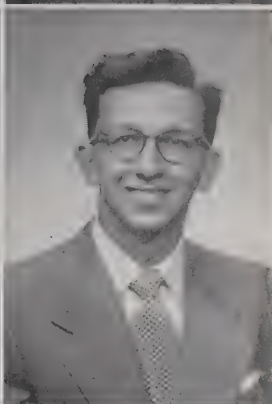
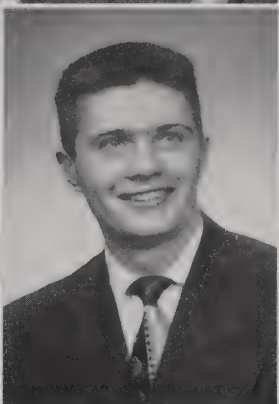
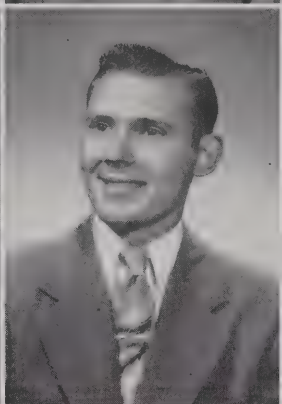
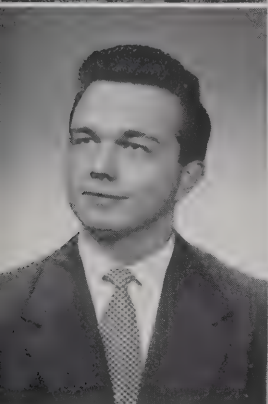
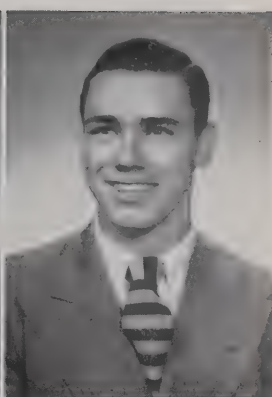
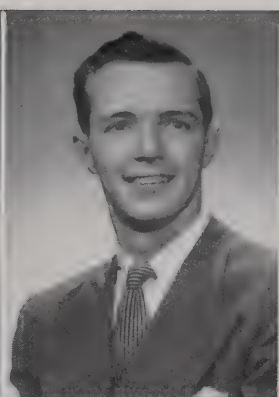
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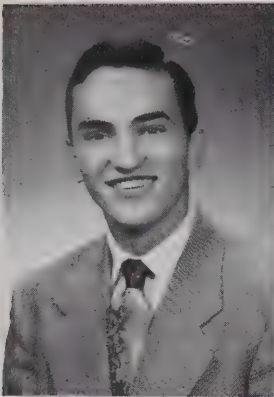
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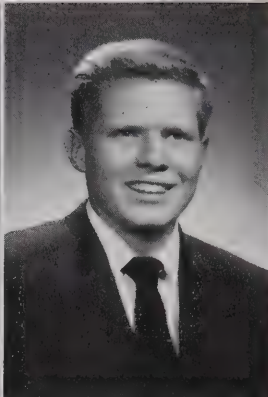
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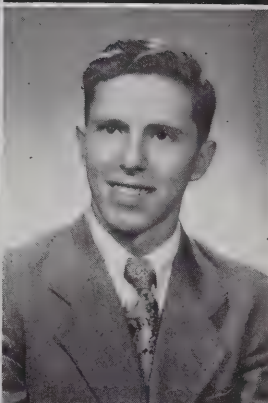
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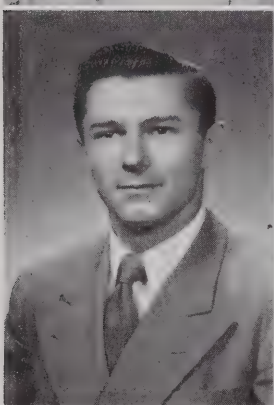
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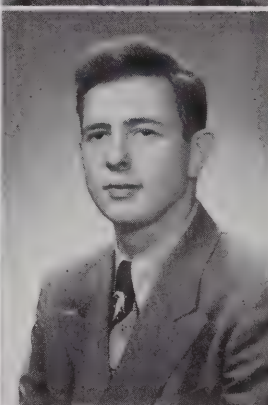
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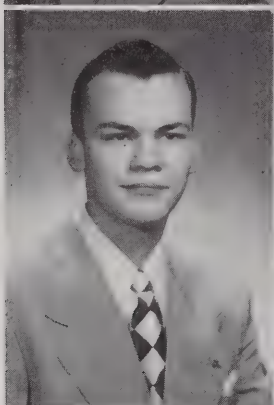
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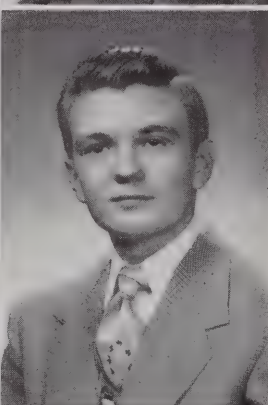
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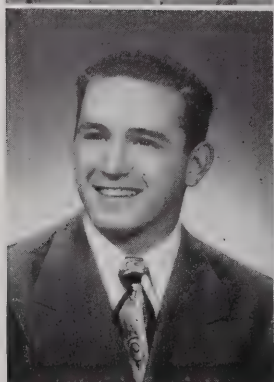
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Camera Shy

Sophomores

What would a yearbook be without those few individuals who shy away from the camera. This year was no exception and so a tradition remains.

John Brown
Richard Chlapecka
Don Fisher
Donald Forbes
Jack Freese
Lorraine Goodell
Ralph Grosh
Joseph Guido
Ronald Hanson
Theodore Harrison
John Hauch
Miles Jelinek
Daniel Kasik
John Kozik
Jerry Lapice

Edward Michalek
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1. No Kibitzin, Please

3. Leap Year

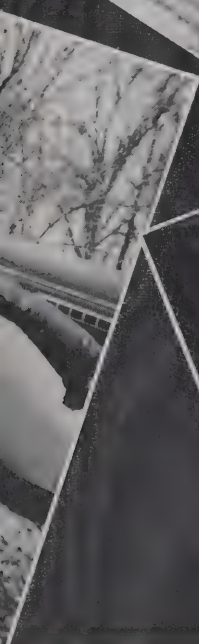
5. We Lost anyway

2. I Shou'da Stood Home

4. Poor Reception?

6. I smell feet

7. Deadeye and Dead end



8. Water Ballet

10 Carol and her Bull

12. Can't tell a Horse without a program

9. Lousy seats inside

11. Piano player man

13. Where was Mary Joy-Hmm?

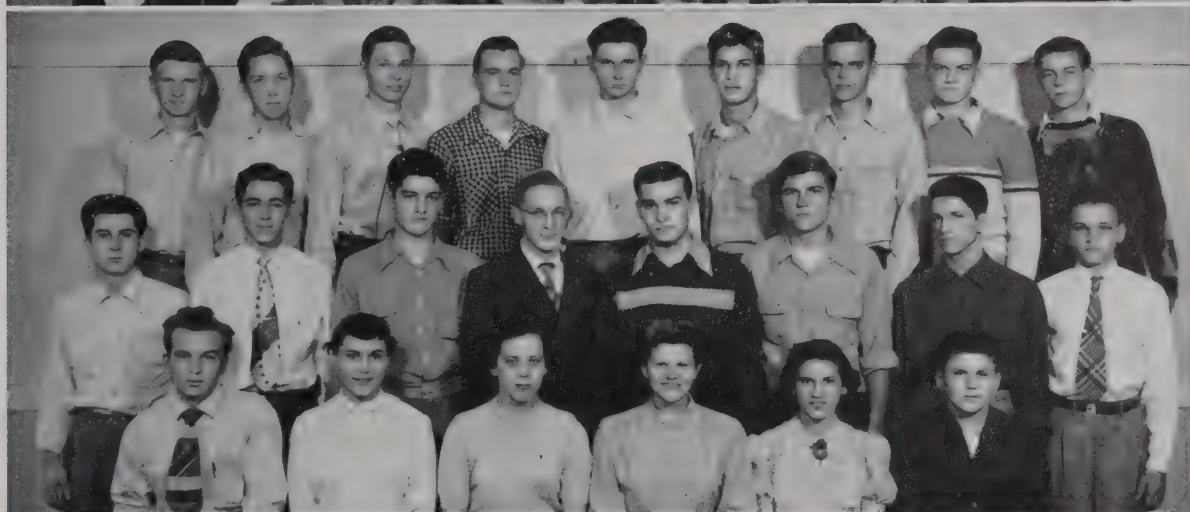
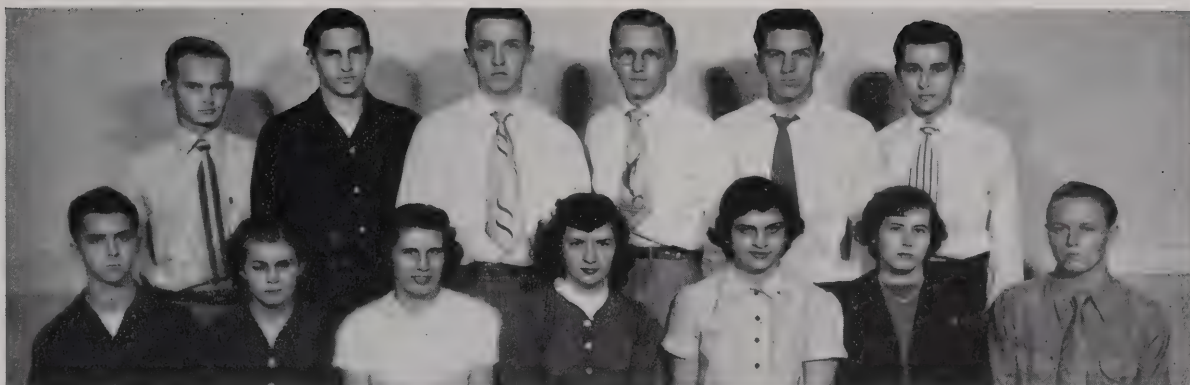


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Pres.; Nancy Yoknis, Pres.

Barbara Laibl, Vice-Pres.;
Frank Liska, Pres.; Miriam
Marquet, Treas.; Joanne Slauf,
Secy.

Freshmen

With the beginning of school in September, new and welcome faces thronged onto the campus of M.J.C. Soon these newcomers got into the swing of things, and out of them an ambitious group was elected to be their spokesman. This year the freshman cabinet was responsible for that ever-popular dance, THE GLOOM CHASER, which bolstered our spirit after that hard week of finals. And then came the prom and more memories. For months they collaborated with the sophomore cabinet securing a band, making bids and arranging all the details so that the dance of the year would be a dream come true. Finally, our CLASSNITE dinner and dance. We will never forget how these newcomers, the sophomores of next semester, came through with flying colors, as they assisted their upper-classmen in the planning of our last school dance. Yes, we will never forget this year's capable Freshmen Cabinets, and all the activities that they were responsible for.



TOP ROW: Melzer, Cieslak, Dvorak, Gockowski, McCandless, Prepejchal.
 BOTTOM ROW: Devorshak, Heindl, Lentz, Andelbrat, Elia, Curran, Zika.

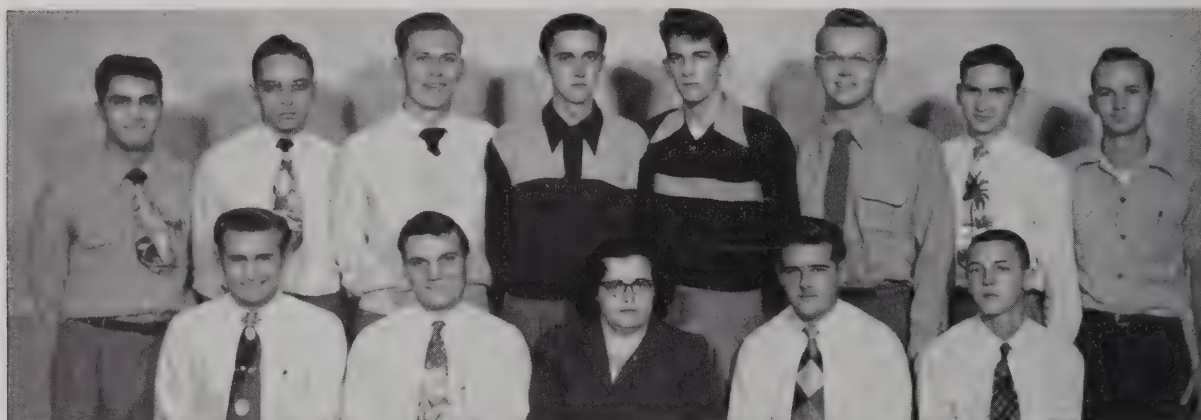
TOP ROW: Mizura, Duran, Soumar, Uldrych, Davey, Alexander, Loss, Huizinga.
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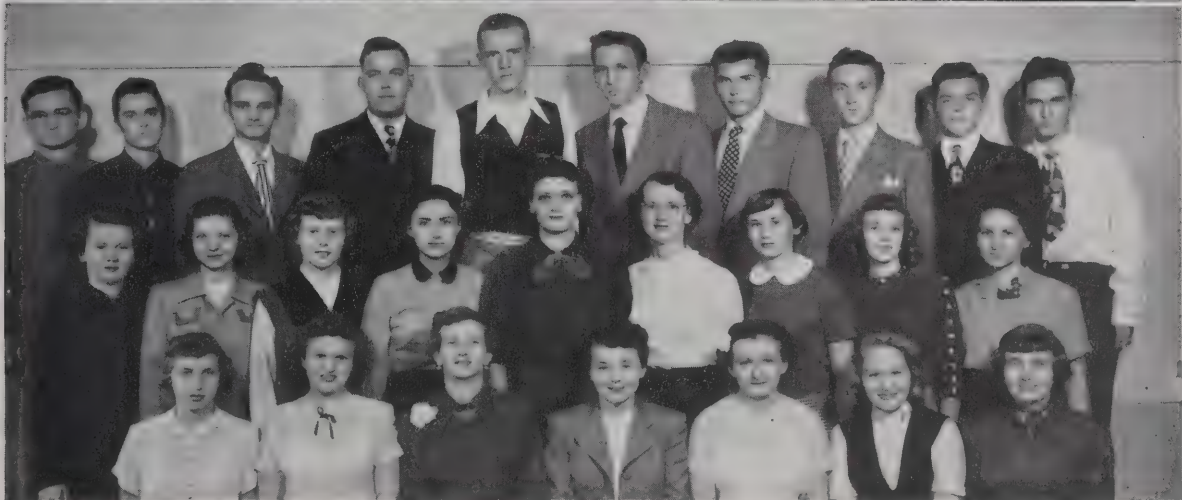
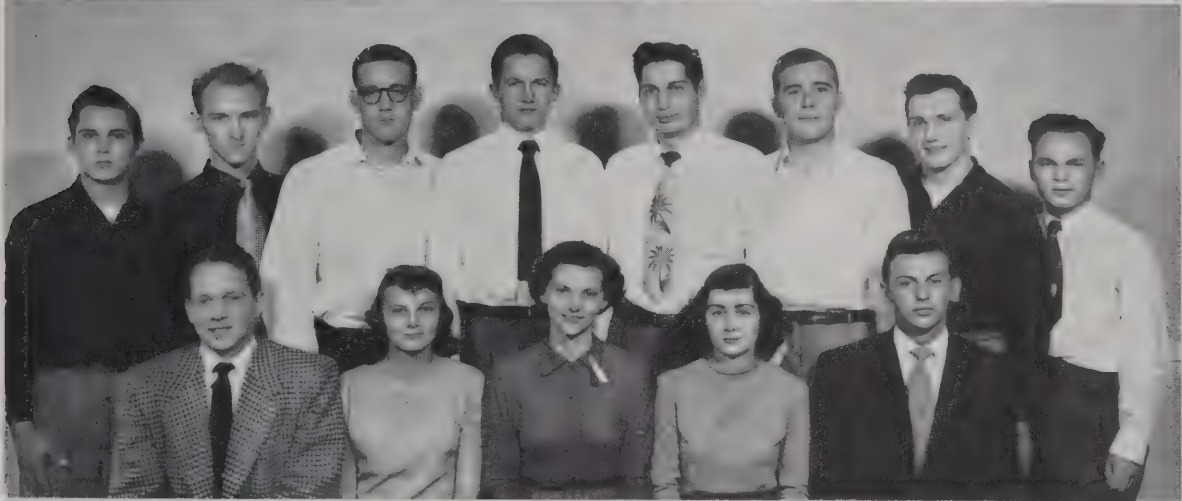
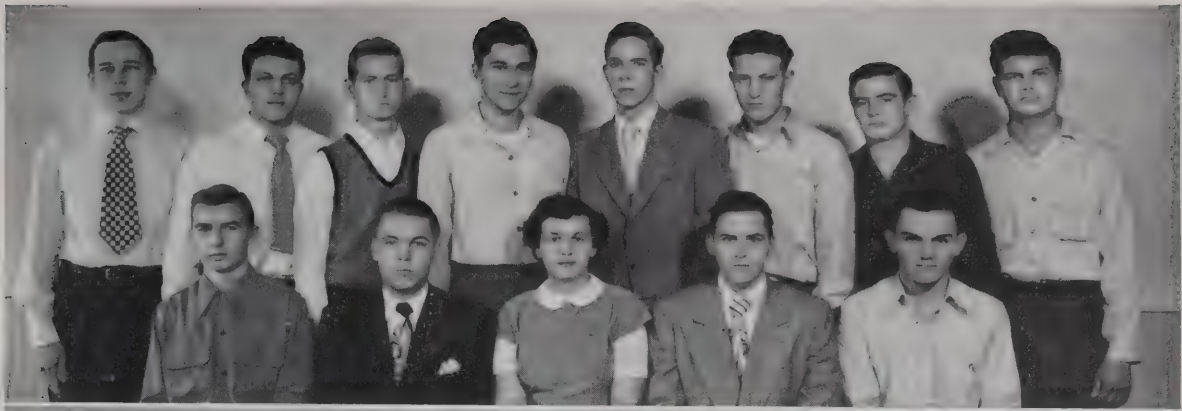
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 BOTTOM ROW: Ireland, Jicha, McDougall, Vachta, Mockus, Perry, Murr, Gable.

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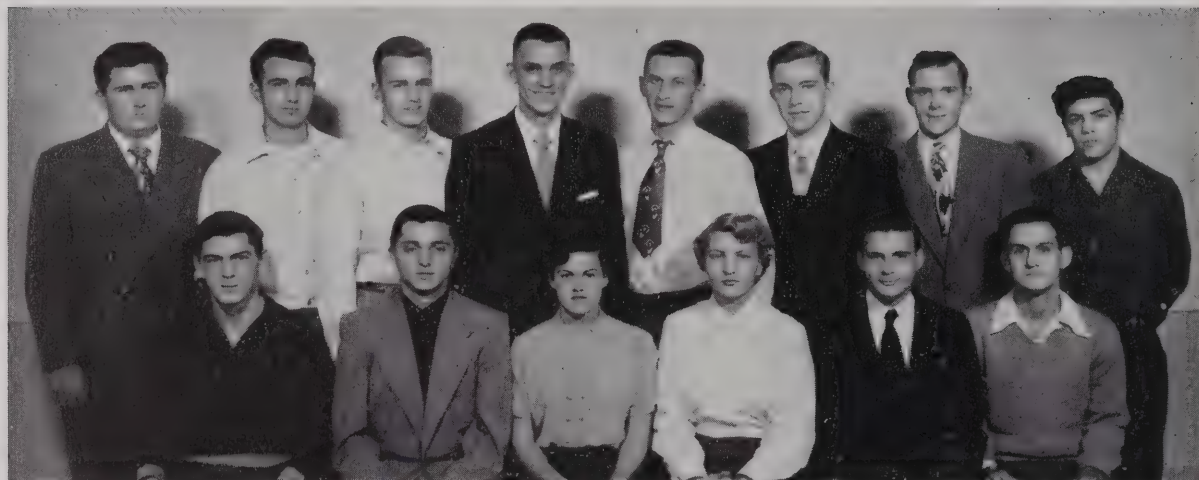


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 BOTTOM ROW: Porter, Kratochvil, Kern, Voorhees, Koresch.

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 BOTTOM ROW: Mahoney, Contos, Tetrev, Jakab, Lorenz, Guido.



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 MIDDLE ROW: Labuda, Carrigan, Schanbl, Boehm, Chochola, Kral, Kapso.
 BOTTOM ROW: Soldat, Hammond, Swoboda, Martin, Bartuska, Hosek, Toriello.

Camera Shy Freshmen

Ronald Ballard
Ralph Basty
George Blazek
Shannon Burnette
Thaddeus Dawidowicz
James Devine
Donald Dickey
Augustinas Dumcius
Louis Dwarshuis
Elaine Faraone
Lila Firtik
Elewellyn Grauman
Arthur Hansen
Dorris Henson
James Hilliger
Jean Iannantuoni
Robert Kaufeldt
Donald Kavalle
James Kleronomos
Penelope Kleronomos
Raymond Kolode
Donald Korous
Rollin Kott
Robert Kubat
George Kucharchuk

Walter Labno
Edward Lange
Richard Lusk
Lillian Machacek
John McNerney
Joseph Michaels
James Moudry
Walter Nitchoff
Albert Ochsner
Richard Petter
Bobomir Pezdirc
Jerry Poncar
William Schoedel
Ronald Scott
John Sheppard
George Slobodnik
James Smith
Richard Smith
Leonard Stach
Miles Stedronsky
Ernest Stetenfeld
Ernest Tomczak
Robert Tudor
Carl Veltmann
Charles Wessendorf
Mary Lou Winscott

Midyear Entrants

Robert Andel
Marian Anderson
Chris Argianas
Frank Baley
Kenneth Bellovic
LeRoy Benes
Ronald Bezouska
Richard Boberg
William Born
Dolores Brown
Robert Caithamer
Vincent Capone
Ronald Caprini
Milton Cerny
Ronald Cunat
James Dalton
Robert Faust
Wayne Geschke
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Robert Harley
Ronald Harley
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James Hildebrandt
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Ronald Ihde

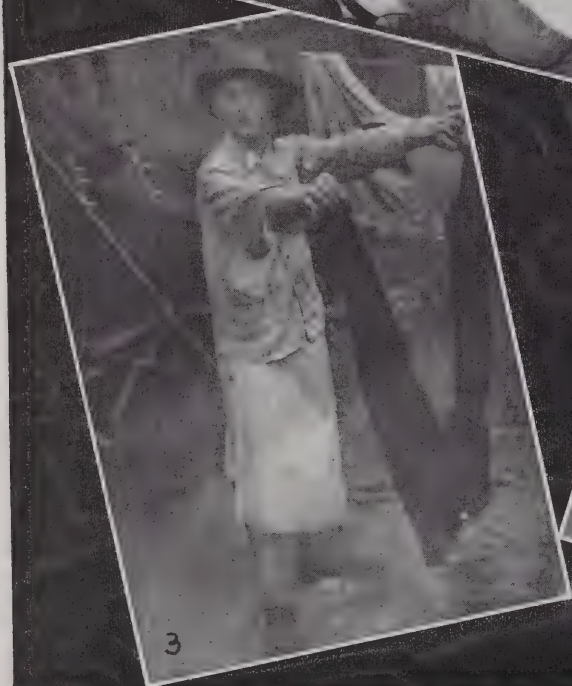
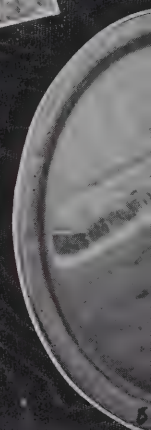
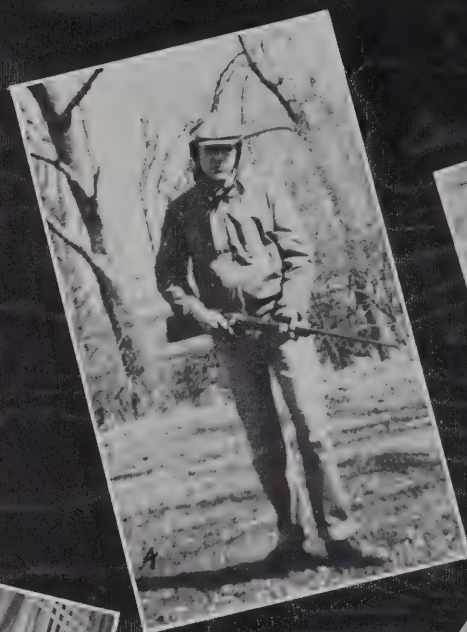
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Dallas Lokay
Stanley Macek
Carol Mariane
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Bruce Mayer
Sonia Melichar
Geraldine Niez
Joyce Norek
Paul Ondracek
Donald Pals
Delores Pavelchik
George Penteris
Richard Piekarski
John Rezabek
Richard Sovinec
John Stanford
Ronald Stelton
Patrick Stoker
William Stone
George Sullivan
Carolle Sykora
James Taterka

We rest . . . our day's work is finished.
We turn from our books and look toward
Moments of refreshment . . . a dance,
A dipping, noisy splash party,
A spirited assembly.
These are moments familiar to all M.J.CITES.
For these are traditional events passed
Forward from those before us . . .
We accept these traditions as our own.
Use them . . . and pass them
On to others, as being . . .
Traditions of M.J.C.



A C T I V I T I E S





1. Backing up the Team

3. V for Victory

5. HA! HA! Hrubes

2. Phizzigues?

4. Shot Gun Louie

6. Just passing over

7. Bunch of Balouney

8. Wheel of Fortune

9. Danger from What?



10. Typical M.J.C. Student

11. Glad Gals

12. Merry Mermaids

13. Bunnies at the Halowe'en Hop

14. Give me back my scoops!

15. Decorating Demons

16. Must be cold out?



Advisor H. H. Finley

Steam whistled forth from a coffee pot brewing the tonic that kept a busy crew working late into the night. Dry Italian biscuits crumbled in their hungry mouths; a radio hummed quietly to soothe their ears while they strained to finish the work before the dreaded tomorrow came. This was the way the PIONEER staff kept going from one deadline to another, usually gathering at Hank's house.

"Hey, Joan, bring your typewriter tonight?" "Ye Gads! I forgot the copy!" "Quick, start mixing flour, we ran out of glue." "Where's the

Pioneer Staff

mud—I mean coffee?" "Okay, wise guy, coming up."

Calm nerves overcame shortages in help when they occurred. So, when UNCLE SAM claimed the first two photographers the staff still managed . . . somehow. It meant a little more work, but everyone was in there pitching. So much so, that the book was finally finished.

Editor—Henry Landi

Production and Business Manager—Louise Lentz





UPPER LEFT: A busy night of the newly organized staff.

LOWER LEFT: Hank, Don, and Louise in brain session.

UPPER RIGHT: The staff when it rounded in to form.

LOWER RIGHT, MIDDLE: Tom Tovarek, Photographer.

CORNER: Len Baldyga, Copy Editor.

Staff members and their positions were Editor, "Hank" Landi; Production and business manager, Louise Lentz; Copy Editor, Len Baldyga; Assistant Copy Editor, Joan Wistain; Class Editors, Betty Kratochvil, Carol Tetrev and Alice Cermak; Activities Editors, Bob Kratochvil and Louise Lentz, and assistant, LaVerne Hosek; Sports Editor, Hank Landi; Gals Sports, Toni Smira; Staff Artist, Don Hlavacek; and last but not least our Photographers, Bill Stupka, Tom Tovarek, Tom Nieman, and John Pellas.

Student Council



L. to R. Joan Zobel, Ruth Mashek, George Porter, Mary Ann Elia, Robert Gajewski.



STANDING L. to R.: John Gabor, Miss Bell, Jim Janes; SEATED L. to R.: Grace Andelbrat, Walter Coffey.

Another assembly. The Student Council is at work again! In addition to distributing funds among the varied groups and putting on some ingenious assemblies, these busy people also dreamed up that zestful dance, the CLASS MIXER, that got us all acquainted and was the beginning of many lasting friendships. By the time the council sponsored the hard-time party, these friendships were firmly moulded and this hard-working group had another successful year to look back on.

Pre-Med

Once a month a group of students interested in digging into things (especially bodies) meet to make plans for educational trips, or to discuss their problems of anatomy. On one trip this year they were found gazing enthusiastically at the operations being performed in the Cook County Hospital.



Party Line



Shirley Kopecy

Lawrence Polich

Irene Kral

What's her phone number? Don't even know her name! If you're in doubt, look in the Party Line . . . a gold mine of names, addresses, and (AHA!) phone numbers that sells for one dime, or two copies for twenty cents. (Not responsible for wrong numbers; just hang up.)

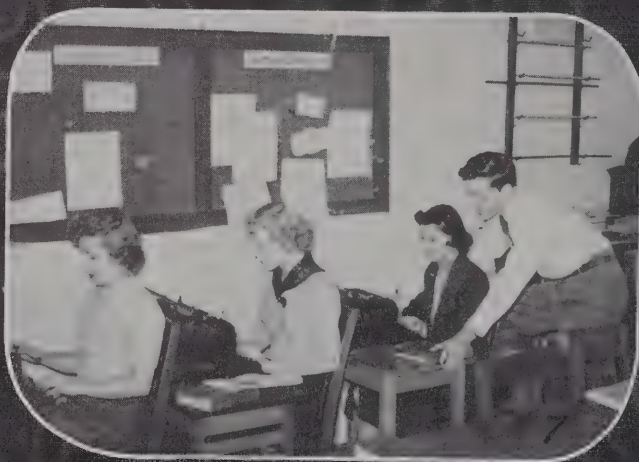
W.A.A. Letterwomen

TOP ROW: Geraldine Gerski, Mary Ross, Shirley Reed.
BOTTOM ROW: Toni Smira, Shirley Kopecy, Charlotte Pechman.

Gals get letters after earning a certain number of points. To get these points they work on committees, serve as officers, attend meetings, participate in out-of-school activities, etc.

At the end of each term the girls who have the needed amount of points for an 'M' each receive one.





1. STANDING L. to R. (1st sem. Officers) Millie Frantik, News Ed.; George Walker, Circulation Manager; Chuck Novotny, Sports Ed.; SITTING L. to R.: Joan Zobel, News Ed.; Mike Mlsna, Ed-in-Chief; and Pat McQueen, Literary Ed.
2. Checking names, or phone numbers?
3. STANDING L. to R. (2nd Sem. Officers) Joan Zobel, Business Manager; George Walker, reporter; Pat McQueen, Feature Ed.; Sitting by desk, Millie Frantik, News Ed.; and Chuck Novotny, Ed-in-Chief.

4. Bill Stupka, Photographer.
5. 'Round the circle L. to R. are Larry Polich, reporter; Marion Toriello, Circulation Manager; Tom Tovarrek, Photographer; George Walker, Reporter; Louise Lentz, Reporter; Irene Kral, Literary Editor; Dolores Firnsin, Girls Sports.
6. Visiting after hours.
7. Busy typing are "Millie," Mary Joy Vachta, and Marion Toriello. The nosy guy is (sigh!) Larry Polich.

Collegian



TOP PHOTO RIGHT: Mike passes some time away.
CENTER PHOTO LEFT: Chuck and Mr. H. H. Finley look over layout.
LOWER PHOTO RIGHT: Chuck dishes out assignments to two of his gal reporters.

The staff of this year's COLLEGIAN was composed of an inexperienced group of reporters and staff members. Only two members of the staff had an previous experience in the journalistic field. In a way this was a handicap, but the spirit and co-operation which existed in Room 250 overcame this obstacle. The COLLEGIAN

staff can be very proud of itself. They scored a "first" with their Thanksgiving Issue and they put out the first Alumni Issue in twelve years. Their coverage of the news was always complete and accurate. Mike Mlsna and Chuck Novotny led the COLLEGIAN to new and greater heights in their roles as Editor-in-Chiefs.

Men's Club



(1st semester) Bill Richmond, Vice-Pres.; Martin Mitzenmacher, Treas.; Florian Neuzil, Secy.; Don Skrabel, Pres.; Lower photo, L. to R.: (2nd semester) John Janka, Vice-Pres., Gene Hendy, Pres.; Marty Mitzenmacher, Treas.; John Hauch, Secy.

Can it be . . . ? New ash trays . . . Clean floors . . . New chess men. At last the Men's Club is clean from the pile of knee-deep butts. Under the capable leadership of their officers, the Men's Club presented the traditional

HALLOWE'EN dance and ATLANTIS. They were also successful in capturing "MORTY" by selling more XMAS SEALS than the WOMEN'S CLUB.

Upper photo:
Study hour?
Lower left:
Board meeting!
Lower right:
Try my brand!



Women's Club

The happy group pictured here are L. to R.: Katherine Fitzgerald, Vice-Pres.; Charlotte Pechman, President; Marilyn Vicik, Treasurer; Mary Ross, Secretary.



Well, this year it looks as though the Women's Club has set the pace on redecorating the Club Rooms as we found new drapes and slip covers dressing up our favorite room. Even the fellows were amazed at the "new look" and the new love seat that our room had achieved when they attended our Christmas-time Open House. The

Women's Club was also responsible for that delicious turkey dinner that we had at the Mom and daughter banquet, the spring tea, and the Semi-formal Christmas dance that we all enjoyed. We all hope to have some more of the same next year.



Top photo:
Lounging on the
"old" love seat.
Lower left:
Listening to the latest!
Lower right:
Comparing notes on?



LEFT TO RIGHT STANDING are Louise Lentz, Joan Bartuska, Antoinette Smira, Alberta Paul, Betty Kratochvil, Mildred Frantik, and Mary Joy Vachta;

BOTTOM ROW, SEATED: is Queen Lola Hammond with Joan Zobel and Betty King in attendance.



Bob Kratky presenting crown to Lola Hammond.

Remember our Homecoming? The football team was out to win, but the weather was against us. The snow and slush hindered their plays and we played to a scoreless tie.

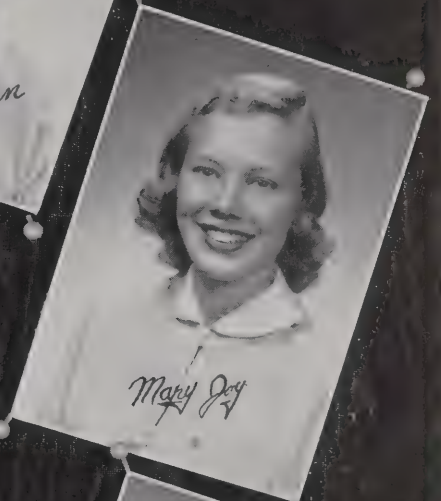
Ah . . . but the dance was delightful. The 'caf' decorated in orange and brown with colored lights, adding a warm glow, was lovely. Couples were gliding over the floor to soft dreamy music, and the gowns of the candidates swished and sworled as they danced. Other couples sat in small groups and talked.

At 10:00 P.M., the big moment arrived. The queen was going to be announced. The escorts were as nervous as the candidates.

'Mike' stood in front of the throne and announced our queen, Lola Hammond. Bob Kratky, captain of the football team, crowned her and gave her a kiss. Then the orchestra stopped. The couples dispersed. Some went for a ride, and others went home. Yes, we all had a wonderful time.



Coming



Honors

PERMANENT HONOR ROLL

Edward Borsuk
Jean Calvin
Richard Capek
Lois Chandler
Walter Coffey
John Gabor
Robert Gajewski

Arlene Jelinek
James Manak
Ruth Mashek
Patricia McQueen
Charlotte Pechman
Charles Prokop
Shirley Reed

Mary Ross
Henry Selig
Betty Ann Sesko
Robert Thieda
Violet Vlk
Robert Vobornik
Joan Zobel

PRESIDENT'S AIDES

1951

Blanche Bolek
Edward Borsuk
Jean Calvin
Lois Chandler
Ted Fiflis
John Gabor
Robert Gajewski
Joan Gunderson
Arthur Hutton

Shirley Kopecky
Laddie Koresch
Nancy Kunz
James Manak
Ruth Mashek
Patricia McQueen
Leora Pacl
Charlotte Pechman
Joseph Pinc

Charles Prokop
Mary Ross
Richard Skulina
Robert Smith
Kenneth Spale
Ruth Steinbrecher
Robert Thieda
Violet Vlk
Robert Vobornik
Joan Zobel

PRESIDENT'S AIDES

1952

Grace Andelbrat
Leonard Baldyga
William Black
Patricia Emerson
Edward Gaides
Lola Hammond
Robert Gene Hendy
LaVerne Hosek

Jean Iannantuoni
James Janes
Donald Jicha
Marian Konecny
Henry Landi
Patricia Martin
George Sherman Porter

Joanne Slauf
Robert Tudor
Ronald Turner
Mary Vachta
William Vanicek
Nancy Vyhnal
Nancy Yoknis

PRESS GUILD

Leonard Baldyga
Alice Cermak
Ronald Cugat
Dolores Firsin
Mildred Frantik
Gene Hendy
Donald Hlavacek
LaVerne Hosek
Mary Lou Hrubes
Arlene Jelinek
Marian Konecny
Shirley Kopecky

Irene Kral
Robert Kratky
Betty Kratochvil
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Barbara Laibl
Henry Landi
Louise Lentz
Patricia McQueen
Michael Mlsna
Kenneth Moeller
Thomas Nieman
Charles Novotny

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Lawrence Polich
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Marion Toriello
Thomas Tovarik
Robert Tudor
Mary Joy Vachta
George Walker
Joan Wistain
Joan Zobel

Inter-Varsity



Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship, a world wide organization, became an active part of M.J.C. in May of 1949. Both educational and stimulating, the group offers outside speakers, movies, and Bible discussions at the regular Thursday evening meetings and district conferences at surrounding colleges. The first semester officers were Jim James, President; Walter Coffey, Vice-President; Bill Vanicek, Social Chairman; and John Gabor, Librarian; the group has been under the able advisorship of Miss N. M. Hadraba since 1949.

Vivace



On the first Tuesday of every month the Vivace Club, under the steady hand of C. H. Haberman, holds its meeting in Room 183. Begun in November of 1930, this club devotes its entire meeting to talented MJC-ites who perform for its music-minded members. In this way young performers receive helpful experience and also give pleasure to fellow students. First semester officers were: Miles Soumar, President; Miles Jelinek, Vice-President; Marion Toriello, Treasurer; Joan Wistain, Secretary; Irene Kral, Program Chairman; John Denver, Social Chairman; Millie Frantik, Betty King and Ken Spale, Social Committee.

L. to R.: Miles Jelinek, Joan Wistain, Marion Toriello, Miles Soumar

P R O M



Stepping from the outside world into the realm of destiny, prom-goers found themselves enchanted by graceful music and an elaborate room in an Oriental palace. All this took place last year at Medina Country Club, where the 1951 Morton Junior College prom, "KISMET," was held.

The hours slipped by unannounced, then the strains of the orchestra faded away, and the long-awaited, but short-lived prom was over. As the guests were leaving "KISMET," each commented on how very enjoyable the evening had been.

All the credit goes to the Freshmen and Sophomore cabinets which collaborated to make it the huge success it was.



Players' Guild

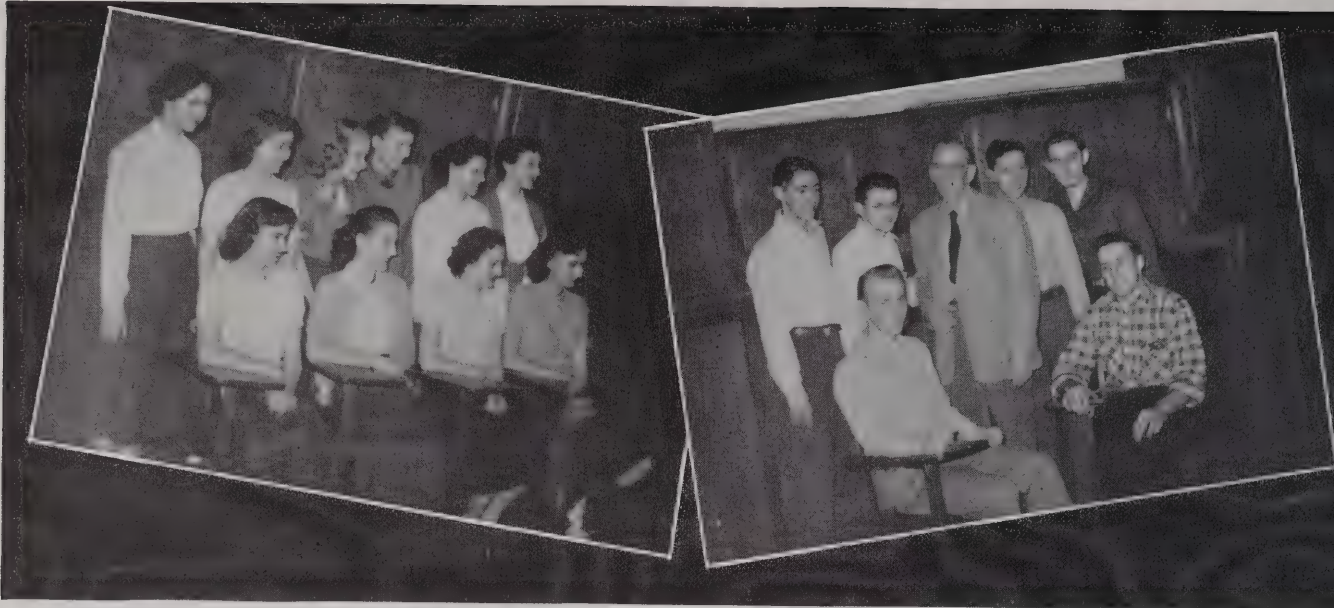
Morton Junior College has many fine traditions. One of these is the annual CHRISTMAS PLAY, and to many people the CHRISTMAS season wouldn't be complete without it. This year the Players' Guild presented "JOY TO THE WORLD," the story of the Nativity. The audience, comprised mainly of members of Morton Junior College, watched the presentation quietly and reverently just as other audiences have done in past years.

There is yet another tradition that the PLAYERS' GUILD is responsible for, and this is

the annual College Play. This year they presented a gay, romantic comedy, "THE SWAN." As in past years, there were rehearsals, a mixture of fun, laughter, and hard work, and the wonderful excitement of the actual production. Once again Miss Mollie Ann Reid had given the college two fine productions.

Yes, Morton Junior College has many fine traditions, and assuredly the CHRISTMAS PLAY and the College Play are two traditions that will be continued in future years.

Choir

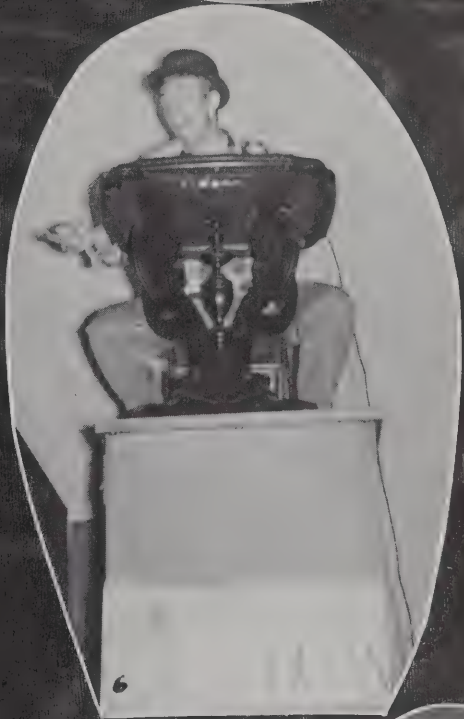
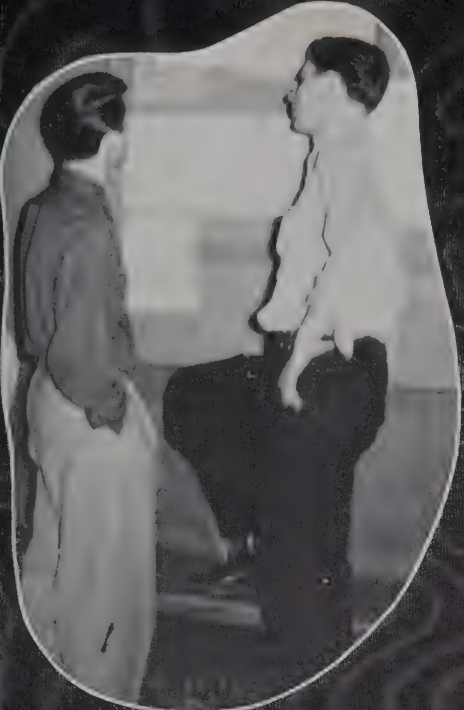


Do-ra-me . . . these sounds may be heard every Wednesday and Friday during sixth hour coming from the Music Department. No, it isn't the cast of "SOUTH PACIFIC" practicing—it's the choir. This group of musical minded students had great fun together singing at graduation, caroling in the halls at CHRISTMAS time, and entertaining at the CHRISTMAS program. This group is advised by Mr. C. H. Haberman. They also assisted the high school in presenting "THE WISHING WELL," an operetta.

Lounging about in the tropic-like air of room 113 and wallowing in the cool blueness of ye olde swimming hole, we find the diligent members of M.J.C.'s newly created Synchronized Swim Club striving to develop and perfect individual skills, later combining the skills in synchronized group numbers. Assisting Miss D. J. Griesbaum in the club's direction for the past semester were; Jack Spran, Evelyn Jakob, Bob Tomenendal, and Joan Zobel.

Swim Club





1. Oh-oh, looks like 1-A! 3. Bathing beauty contest judges? 5. Settling down with a good book 6. Just plain horse-sense
 2. My poor little puddy-tat! 4. Locker companion 7. And Tony's bored?



Honorary Doctors

Cushion crazy

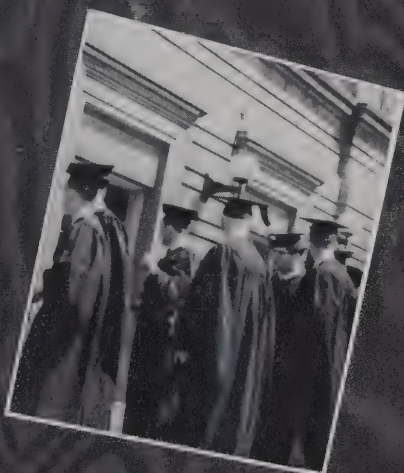
That won't help

Where'd it go?

Vote for Sandusky

This is a tree

Kibitzing kemist



Two cents, please

Looks like Charlie

The last mile

Don't get wise

Tree trimmers

Wisdom personified

S P O R T S



MJC's present athletic fame rests on a
Solid foundation of competitive sportsmanship.
In the corner stone of our building of tradition
Is a faithful and competent coaching staff.
The ascending beams have as their supports men
And women, physically and mentally able to
Weather all conditions. Embracing the sturdy
Skeleton are the unflinching, solid followers.
The coming years will have the opportunity to
Add to this stable base.





STANDING: Coach G. Lagerlof, Moeller, Hlavin, Szczudlo, Novotny, Praser, Scrable, Richmond, Veltman, McCarrell, Wood, Utz, Trainer B. Shack.
KNEELING—Tyrolt, Hendy, Suchy, Montana, Young, Buksas, Neuzil, Poncar, Kratky, Mitzenmacher.

Scores

Morton.....13	Thornton 0
Morton..... 0	Wilson 7
Morton..... 0	DeKalb .....34
Morton.....13	LaSalle-Peru .....39
Morton..... 0	North Park 0
Morton..... 7	Wright 6



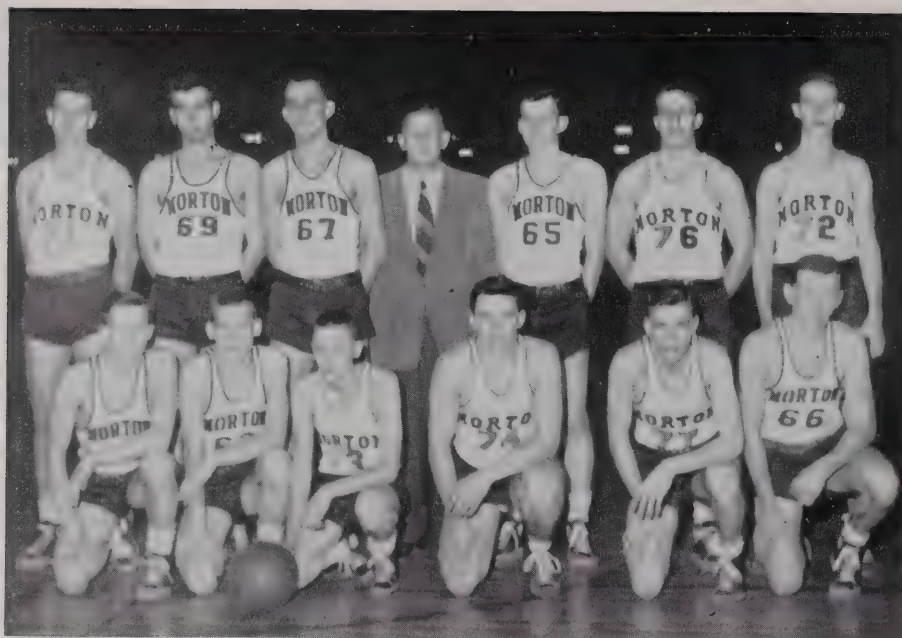
Football

The 1951 edition of the Panther's football team started the season with a 13-0 victory over Thornton and finished the season by upsetting a favored Wright "eleven" 7-6. This was the biggest triumph of the year as one of Coach Lagerlof's surprise plays won the game in the last minute of play. The play was started by Martin Mitzenmacher by passing to end Dave McCarrell who in turn lateralled to tackle Chuck Novotny who galloped down the sidelines 55 yards for the tying touchdown. Wilbur Young then scored the winning point after making a touchdown to win the game. The rest of the season was rather disappointing as a score-

less tie with North Park was the closest the Panthers could come to another victory. Perhaps the lack of man power was one reason for the mediocre season as Coach Lagerlof's squad dwindled to 22 hearty souls at the season's climax.

The Panthers still managed to finish in third place in the rugged Big Six Conference. LaSalle-Peru-Oglesby and Wilson were ahead of the Panthers. Co-Captain Bob Kratky, quarterback "Pete" Young, and tackle Chuck Novotny were named to various all-star teams at the conclusion of the season.





Scores

The 1951-1952 Panther cage squad: TOP ROW: Don Davey, Ken Moeller, Chuck Recka, Coach Hedtke, John Hauch, Chuck Novotny, Wayne Groom.
 BOTTOM ROW: Ken Buksas, Don Hlavacek, Ron Jelinek, Ray Matejka, Gene Hendy, and John Pecen.

Morton 51 Wilson 66

Morton 53 Loyola 61

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Morton 51 LaSalle-Peru 66

Morton 59 Joliet 87

Morton 60 North Park 59

Morton 53 LaGrange 83

Morton 57 Wilson 60

Morton 73 Herzl 74

Morton 44 LaGrange 63

Morton 73 Herzl 63

Morton 50 Wright 60

Morton 43 Loyola 66

Morton 57 North Park 48

Morton 44 Thornton 63



Basketball

"the race is better than the victor's garland"

The Panther cagers had a very poor '51-'52 basketball season, managing to win only three games in their entire schedule. The three wins fortunately came in Big Six Conference play. The Panthers thus ended up the season in fifth place.

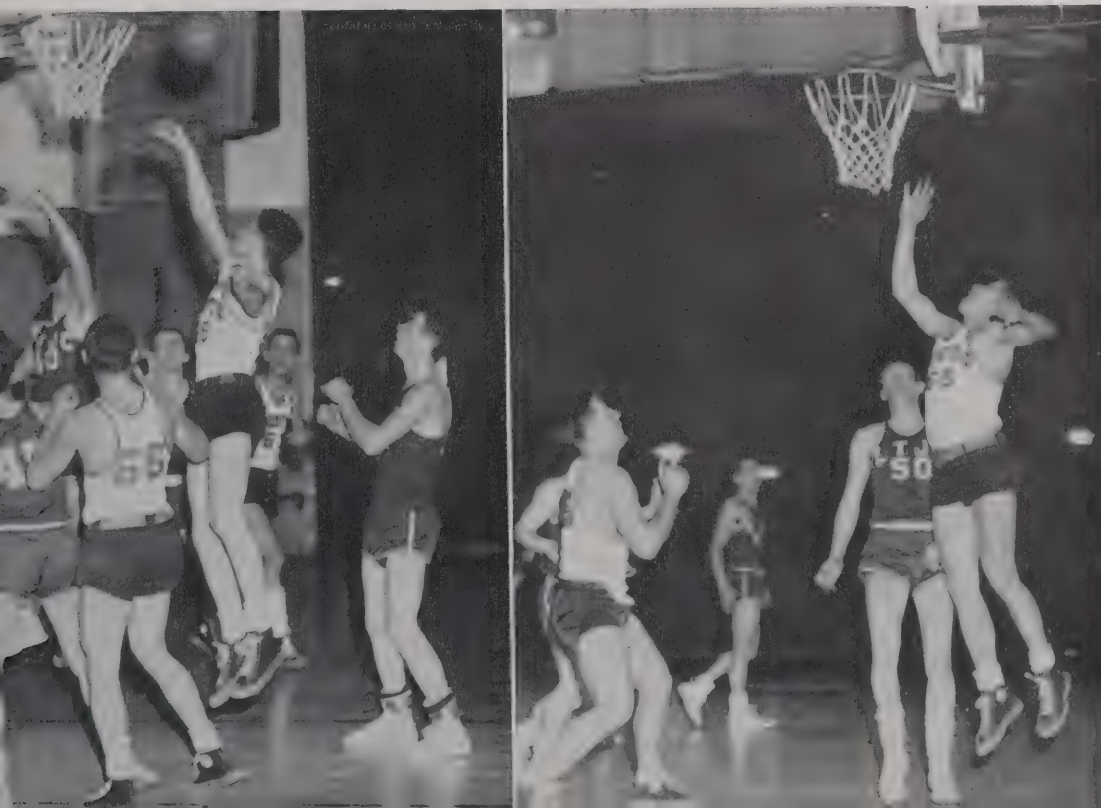
A few times during the season the Panthers played very well, but they could not exhibit this winning form often enough. Lacking height and a scoring threat for the pivot position, the Panthers were handicapped against taller teams throughout the season.

Leading scorers for the MJC squad were John Pecen and John Hauch, who scored 168 and 146 points respectively.

Experience was also lacking as only four players, none of them first stringers, returned from the previous season. Next year freshmen Pecen, Buksas, Davey, Hendy, Groom, Jelinek, and Hlavacek will return to the squad.

Sophomores who played their last game for MJC this season were John Hauch, Ken Moeller, Chuck Novotny, and Ray Matejka.

Coach Bill Hedtke did a good job of coaching the Panthers all season. With better material to work with next season, he will undoubtedly bring the cage team back up to its usually high standard.



Baseball



STANDING L. to R.: Jozwiak, Suchy, Veleta, Montana, Coach E. Wojciechowski.
SITTING: Fifiis, Recka, Kucaba, Dietrich, Fanelli, Konvalinka, Carlotti, Sible.

SCORES

Morton

8	Wilson	.....	9
3	Herzl	.....	2
2	Wright	.....	9
4	Wilson	.....	3
16	North Park	...	6
14	North Park	...	1
3	Herzl	.....	5
9	Morgan Park	.	1
10	Morgan Park	.	5
10	Wright	.....	8

The M.J.C. "Nine" started on the wrong foot by losing to Wilson J. C. in a hotly contested game, 9 to 8. But they quickly got back on the right path in the Herzl game winning 3 to 2. The next game was lost to the eventual champions, Wright J. C., 9 to 2. In the return game with Wilson, Fanelli proved his mastery over the Raiders with a 4 to 3 decision. In the first three innings against North Park, it looked as though it would be one of "those" games as the Vikings four runs, but in the fourth the Panther bats awoke to blast out ten runs. The rout continued in

the second, and at the end of the day Morton had posted a double victory, 16 to 6 and 14 to 1. With the 5 to 3 defeat to Herzl, first place and the championship were thrown out the window. Against a hopeless Morgan Park "Nine", M.J.C. ramped to another double win, 9 to 1 and 10 to 5. In the return game against the Wright Rams nothing was to be gained, but a second place birth. This all out effort paid dividends with a rousing 10 to 8 victory. Pacing the attack in the late inning rally was Ed Konvalinka, Ron Veleta, and Glenn Suchy.





JAMES CAPEK



STANDING: R. Capek, Svornik, Stupka.
KNEELING: Neiman, J. Capek.



ALLAN SCHULZ

Bowling

The first semester bowling league ended on January 6, 1952, the Ally Khans came out on top winning 34 out of 48 games played. Second place went to the Sabu 5 who finished but two games behind the eventual winners the Khans. Because of their explosive showing near the end of the season the Firecrackers came in third, the last position eligible for a trophy.

In individual honors Ron Loess maintained a 173 average throughout the entire season to come in first in that division. High game went to Tom Nieman who rolled a blazing 236 game.

Ron Loess (again!) hit a 581 to capture the high series.

Team high, three games, was attained by the Ramblers who blistered the pins for a 2331 total. The Firecrackers with 2301, and the Ally-Khans with 2239 finished next in that order. Team high, single game, went to the Ally Khans 861, Ramblers 859, and the Firecrackers 828.

The outstanding bowler of the season was Ron Loess. Ron earned trophies for high series, second high game, high average, and a third place team trophy.





1. Ya got me!!!

2. The Thinker

3. Heavens a crowd.

4. Well boys, here it comes.

5. Smoke that ci-gar-ette boy . . .

6. Can I help you?



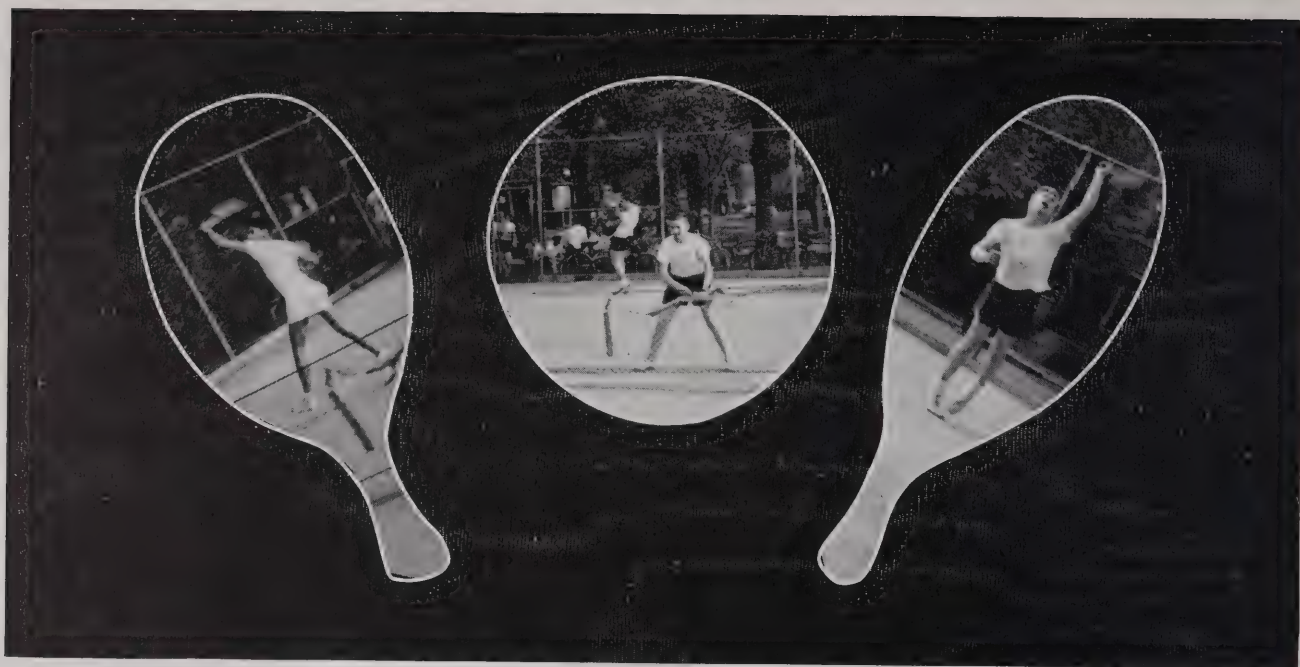
7. Cheerleading Cuties

9. Must be interesting!!!!

11. Got ya!!!

8. Come now, lets get up.

10. Our boy (Grrrrrr) Hank

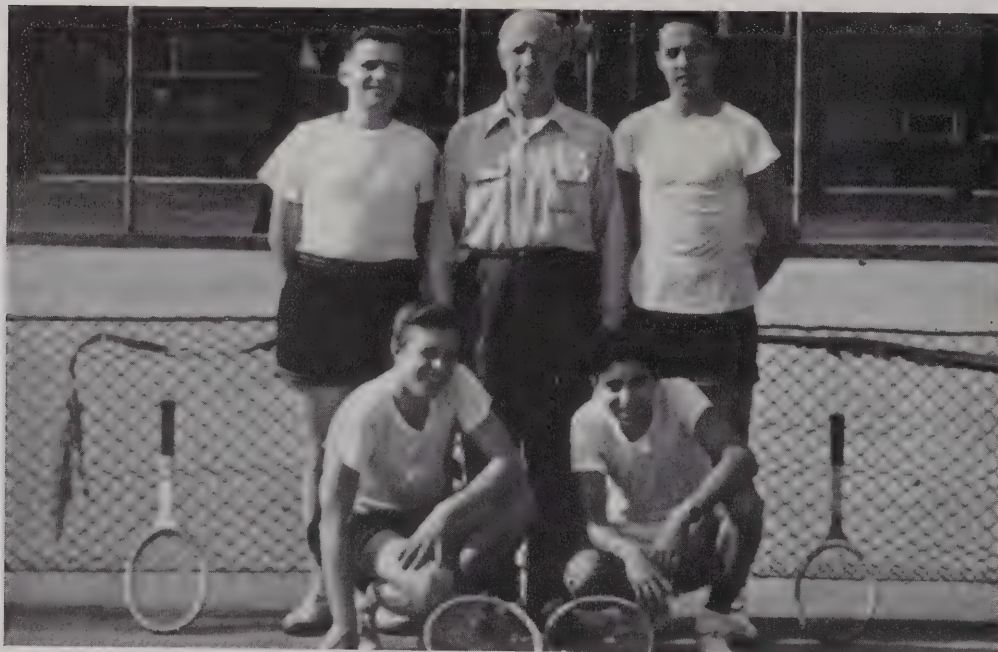


Bill Miner, Frank Svestka, Jim McCosh

Tennis

Morton's 1951 tennis team registered a fair season as they took three out of eight matches. Coach G. Lagerlof was lucky when three "oldtimers," Bill Miner, Jim McCosh, and Frank Svestka, returned from last year's squad. Throughout the season these three players, along with Tom Nieman, sparked MJC's offensive blows. Jim McCosh proved to be the most successful singles man while Bill Miner and Tom Nieman followed. The top doubles combination consisted of Frank Svestka and Tom Nieman who tallied three victories.

In the conference match Frank Svestka found the going a bit tough as he was downed by a Wright netman 6-4, 4-6, and 6-0. The doubles team of Jim McCosh and Bill Miner found the Herzl opponents equally unwilling and lost 2-6 and 3-6.



STANDING L. R.: Svestka, Coach Lagerlof, Nieman.
KNEELING L. R.: Miner, McCosh.

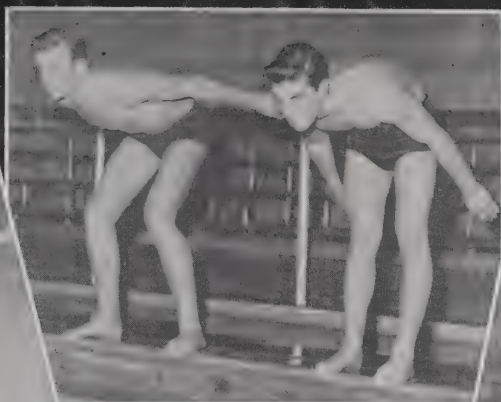
SCORES

Morton

1	Wilson	2
0	Herzl	3
1	Wright	2
2	North Park ...	1
2	Wilson	1
0	Herzl	3
1	Wright	2
2	North Park ...	1



1. Norman Alexander and Zeno Kopecky



2. Don Pelnar and Jerry Poncar



3. Poncar displaying form

Swimming



STANDING L. R.: Coach Bond, Kopecky, Kratky, Alexander.
KNEELING L. R.: Coffey, Pelnar, Poncar.

SCORES

Morton.....23	Wright.....43
Morton.....52	North Park .....13
Morton.....40	Wilson .....16
Morton.....19	Wright.....47
Morton.....34	North Park .....31

Conference Meet — Morton 27 1-2, Wright 47 1-2,
Wilson 19, North Park 10

Morton's Panthofins ended a successful season by taking second place in the Conference Meet. Only Wright edged them. In league competition, they won three meets and lost two, both to Wright. North Park fell twice and Wilson once to account for the wins. The team was ably coached by C. L. Bond. Norm Alexander and Jerry Poncar's consistently fine performances sparked the team. Others who regularly competed are: Walter Coffey, Ken Eichinger, Zeno Kopecky, Bob Kratky, Don Pelnar and Bob Tcmendal. Another swimmer, Jack Spran, went into the Navy in midseason.

Track



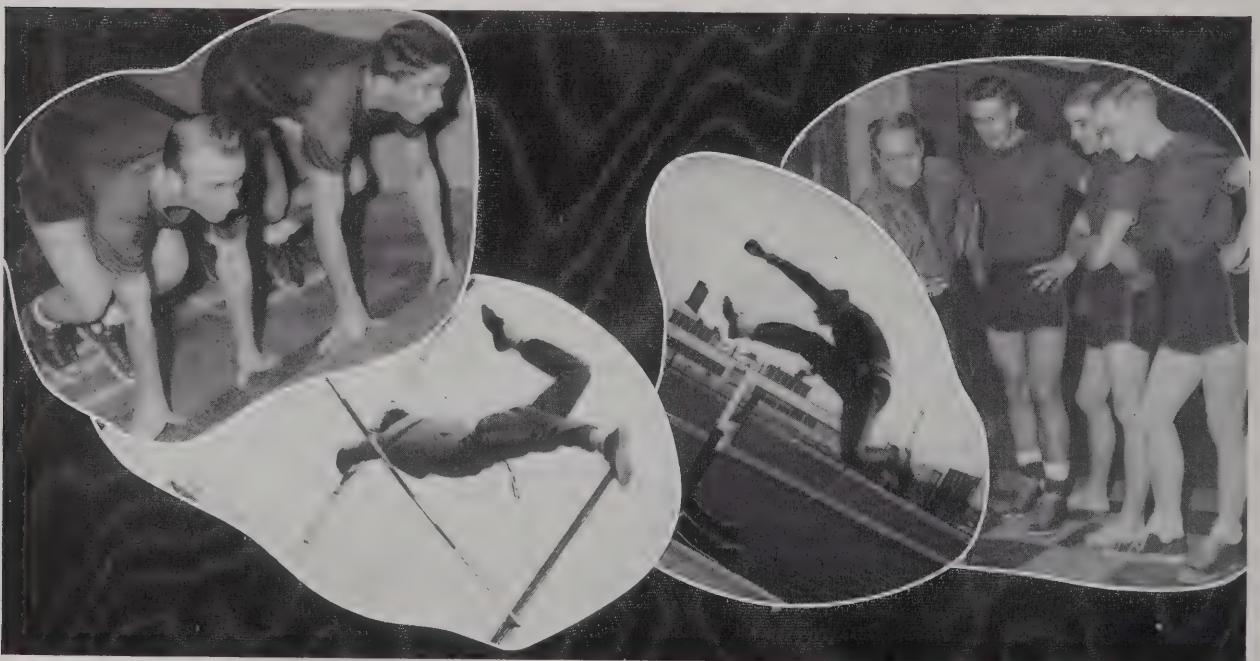
STANDING L. R.: Dvorak, Kratky, Novotny, Kocar, Drefs, Kostiwa.
SITTING L. R.: Penteris, Tudor, Bezouska, Capek, Jendrysik, Melzer, Coach Finlayson.

Last season the Morton track squad was small but powerful. Starting off rather slow during the indoor season, Coach Finlayson's men finally started "clicking" in the outdoor season with a 64-48 win over Elmhurst College. In their second outdoor encounter, the MJC cindermen downed North Park and LaGrange in a triangular meet. The Panther "tracksters" continued along in

grand style and then climaxed a good season by placing third in the Big Six Conference Meet. The three leading scorers for the year were sophomores Jack Humphrey and Neal Tuleen, and freshman Chuck Novotny. Humphrey, by virtue of his excellent track season as well as a good football season was selected as the outstanding athlete in 1951.

SCORES

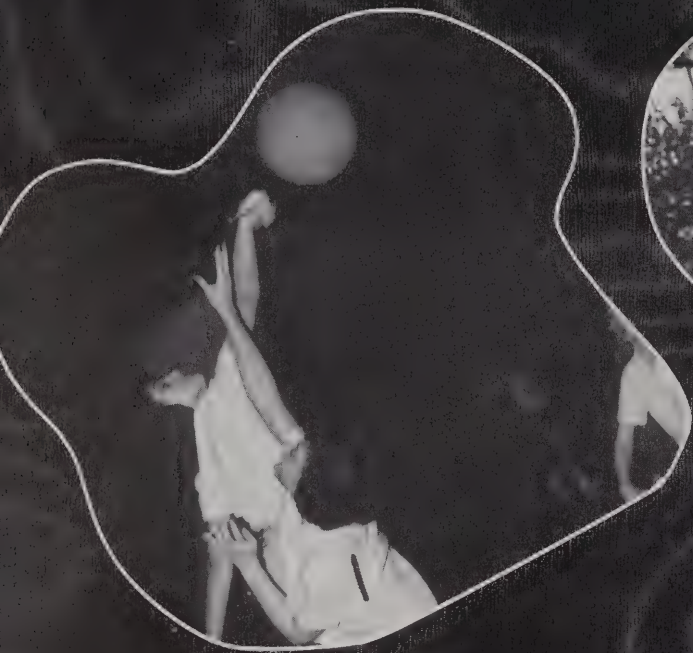
Morton..20	U. of Chicago	...69
Wilson..39		
Morton..25	N. Central	.....48
Navy Pier..57		
Morton..51	Wilson	.....71
Morton..64	Elmhurst	.....48
Morton..69	North Park	.....34
La Grange..24		
Morton..49.5	Wheaton	....73.5
Concordia..28		
Morton..51	Navy Pier	....116.5
La Grange..29.5	Thornton	..6
Morton..70.5	Thornton	.....50.5
Morton..47	Wright	.....75.5
Morton..51	Wilson	.....71
North Central Relays—Morton 1st,		
Wilson 2nd, La Grange 3rd,		
Wright 4th		
Big 6 Conference Meet—Morton		
3rd, Wright 1st, Wilson 2nd		



Weaker Sex!!

The athletic-minded women of MJC take part in a variety of sports throughout the year. Speedball and basketball are played in the fall and winter, respectively, while volleyball, tennis, baseball, golf, and badminton are played in the spring. The all-year-round sports are bowling, square dancing, and the swim team, whose members are gals who enjoy racing, diving, and just plain swimming. Meets are often held at other schools where the girls compete in racing and diving skills.









L. to R. SEATED: Mrs. Camille Klima Wurga, Mrs. Alice Schwartz Dettmer, Mrs. Ethel Smith Jindra, Mrs. Elsie Rous Ufferman, Miss Prutsman, Miss Reid, Miss J. G. Walker, Mrs. Dorothy Lundberg Cain, Mrs. Violet Freeman Meiserheimer, Mrs. Fayette Weiderhoffer Roloff, Mrs. Mary Sharpitis Slaby.

SECOND ROW: Louis Kizas, Thomas Filas, Frank Stanicek, Otto Kubicek, George Petru, George Weick, Mrs. Bonita Busian Beverly, Frank Vitovec, Dr. Charles Bloom, Mrs. Violet Kral Roda, Joseph Strell, William Farrell, Jack Eaton, Edward Hruby, John Simkus, Arthur Nedwed, Nick Berkos.

THIRD ROW: Ted Wesolowski, Tony Butwell, Dr. George Rezek, Sigmund Kosinski, William Cerny, Lawrence Norton, George Andrlik, Joseph Poppalardo, George Poch, Douglas Finlayson, Harold Kopecky, Edwin Milich, Joseph Zikmund, Dr. Benson Deardorff and Adolph Michalek.

Dedication

Each building, either concrete or abstract, must have a foundation. The foundation of our building of tradition was laid by the class of 1926. We feel that this Pioneer should be dedicated to that class.

In Memoriam



Oct. 11, 1895

Robert M. Hale,

Feb. 10, 1952

In memory of our admired leader and friend, Dr. Robert M. Hale, we the PIONEER staff leave with you one of his last statements submitted by him to this publication:

"Those having torches will
pass them on to others."
PLATO

Tradition insists that Morton Junior College have an era of abnormal growth followed by another era of shrinkage. After 1945 we received the welcome inundation of students under the GI Bill; beginning with 1950 the shrinkage began until now we are at somewhat of a low ebb. We can expect the children of World War II to produce another era of growth within a few years. We do not worry about these changes; Morton can absorb them all.

ROBERT M. HALE

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In past years, staffs have been commended and praised for their untiring efforts. Imbued with a deep feeling of appreciation, I express, with all sincereness, the same grateful feeling. The completion of the 1952 PIONEER is an accomplishment for all who participated because of the incessant complicating factors, inexperienced personnel, and limited budget.

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